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Benecke et al.	4,994,336	02/19/1991
Hashiguchi et al.	5,358,909	10/25/1994
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Kouno	GB 2,125,168	02/29/1984
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## Other Documents

"Christensens Physics of Diagnostic Radiology," Curry et al., pp.29-33, 1990.

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